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Mr. Powell A. Moore
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Dear Powell:

Enclosed is a copy of my November 24 letter to you with reference to the Armenian genocide.

To date I have not had the courtesy of any acknowledgment or reply from your office, and I would appreciate very much hearing from your office without further delay.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Frank Annunzio
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Member of Congress

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Mr. Powell A. Moore
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Dear Powell:

I am sure others have called your attention to the article entitled "Armenian Terrorism: A Profile" which was carried in the August edition of the Department of State Bulletin.

This article in a footnote states, "Because the historical record of the 1915 events in Asia Minor is ambiguous, the Department of State does not endorse allegations that the Turkish Government committed a genocide against the Armenian people."

As one who has over the years spoken out against the tragedy of the Turkish genocide of the Armenians in 1915 and as the Representative in Congress of thousands of Americans of Armenian descent who live in the 11th Illinois Congressional District, I find this State Department position totally unacceptable. It makes a mockery of the dedicated service of Ambassador Henry Morgenthau and other State Department officials who transmitted eye witness reports to the State Department on the massacre.

In the event the State Department has "lost" or "misaid" the evidence in its own files of the Armenian genocide by the Turks, I am enclosing complete State Department Decimal File No. references, with dates, along with Xerox copies, in order that the appropriate officials in your Department may review this material to the end that an unambiguous retraction is printed in the next issue of the Department of State Bulletin.

I am outraged by the effort on the part of State Department officials to distort recorded and documented historical events, and I await hearing from you regarding the action the State Department takes to issue a total and unambiguous retraction.

Sincerely,

FRANK ANNUNZIO
 Member of Congress

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Honorable George Schultz
Secretary of State
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing in reference to an article entitled "Armenian Terrorism" that appeared in the August 1982 issue of the Department of State Bulletin.

The author of the article, in a note on page 35, states, "Because the historical record of the 1915 events in Asia Minor is ambiguous, the Department of State does not endorse allegations that the Turkish Government committed a genocide against the Armenian people...."

This statement ignores information readily available in your Department's archives and the Proclamations of both President Ronald Reagan and former President Jimmy Carter. President Reagan, on April 22, 1981, stated, "Like the genocide of the Armenians before it, the genocide of the Cambodians which followed it--and like too many other such persecutions of too many other peoples--the lessons of the Holocaust must never be forgotten." That remark is contained in Proclamation 4838. In "Remarks at the White House Reception on May 16, 1978", President Carter stated, "...in the years preceding 1916, there was a concerted effort to eliminate all the Armenian people, probably one of the greatest tragedies that ever befell any group...."

Further, on March 13 and 14, 1979, the United States, Austria, Cyprus, Australia, France, the World Council of Churches, and the International Federation of Human Rights, spoke out strongly in support of the reinsertion of Paragraph 10 of the Study of the Question of the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of

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Paragraph 22 states: "Passing to the modern era, we find the existence of relatively full documentation dealing with the persecution of homosexuals, which have been described as the first case of genocide in the twentieth century."

In my mind the only ambiguity that exists is with the statement made in the August 1982 issue of the Department of State Bulletin. I should appreciate your attention to and cooperation in eliminating this ambiguity.

Sincerely yours,

Member of Congress

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Washington, D.C. 20520

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I understand that the Department of State's own archives are replete with material documenting the Turkish genocide of the Armenians. Contemporary reaffirmations include Congressional hearings, statements by President Reagan and former President Carter. The history of the Armenian people and the record of United States intervention and humanitarian assistance on behalf of the Armenians is obvious and the statement in the Bulletin could be viewed as an attempt to alter or ignore this record. Do you believe that there is either ambiguity or doubt that the Turkish government committed a genocide against the Armenian people?

I hope you will clarify for me the Department of State's position on the events concerning the Armenian people that took place from 1915 to 1923. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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